26 July 1955

The Honorable Margaret Chase Smith United States Senate Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator:

I thought you would enjoy reading the interesting and courteous letter I received from the Commissioner of the Department of Education of your state, about my Columbia talk, together with my reply. I have not included the bibliography but would of course be glad to send it to you if you should be interested.

Faithfully yours.

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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Mr. Allen W. Dulles, Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C.

My dear Director Dulles:

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One of my friends who was fortunate enough to hear your commencement day luncheon address at Columbia University has sent me a copy of your talk. I have read it with the utmost interest and profit. You have sharpened current concepts and you have extended the scope of my own meager knowledge in a way for which I am very grateful.

Although my chief purpose in writing thus is simply to express my thanks to you, I should like also to encourage you to use whatever means are proper to give us further information regarding the goals and activities of the Soviet educational system.

I realize, of course, that your primary function may not warrant your utilizing agency resources to meet a request like mine. I would hope, however, that perhaps some other agency like the American Council on Education might be given the necessary access to information appropriate for dissemination.

Yours sincerely,

Herbert G. Espy Commissioner of Education

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